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Bay Stakes To Increase L. A. Temple Endowments

HENRY D. TAYLOR discussed "two forces at work in the world today—one for good, the other for evil" at sessions of the quarterly conference for Oakland-Berkeley stake held at the Interstake Center November 18 and 19 .

Bay Area stakes of the Church of Jesus Christ Christ of Latterday Saints will seek to double endowment work at the Los Angeles Temple during December in order to reverse an alarming decrease in temple work.

August and September temple reports indicated that unless yearend excursions are joined by more temple workers, the year's endowments may fall 30% short of last year. During the first 14 days of September, there were only 4,100 endowments, an average of 400 per day, compared to 6,000 in a similar period in 1960, reports the Los Angeles Temple advisory committee.

San Leandro and Oakland-Berkeley stakes have requested increased support from each ward for their excursion December 16. A bus will leave the interstake center at 8 p.m., Friday, Decemger 15 for this trip to the Los Angeles temple.

Oakland-Berkeley stake, with 137 endowments in October, reached by the end of the month, 52% of quota. The year 1961 at that time, showed, 1049 compared to 1395 for 1960.

Hayward stake showed 125 per cent of their goal in October. With 1172 for 1961 compared to 967 for 1960.

Walnut Creek showed 78 per cent, with 634 compared to 554 for 1960.

San Mateo with 235 endowments in October, reached 76 per cent, with 1057 in 1961 compared to 812 in the same period in 1960.

San Francisco, with 23 in October, reached 54 per cent of the 1961 goal, and had 689 and 1961 compared to 712 in 1960.

San Leandro, 73 in October, for 25%, showing 249 in 1961. (Stake was not organized until 1961).

Highest stake in October was San Diego East with 376 endowments in that month for 178 per cent of goal. They did 3606 in 1961 and 4145 in 1960.

In an appeal to stakes of the Los Angeles Temple district, the advisory committee urges:

"Brethren, we need the cooperation of the stake presidencies and the bishoprics in encouraging our people to use the Temple and to take part in this work. Encourage them to come often and to do as many sessions as they can when they do come. We would surely like to see the present trend reversed, to see endowments go up instead of down."

'Y' Award To O. L. Stone

O. L. Stone, President of Oakland-Berkeley stake, was one of six former Brigham Young university students who received the Alumni Distinguished Service award at the annual homecoming banquet in November.

Others who recieved the award were: Milton R. Hunter, Jennie Knight Mangum, O. Preston Robinson, Grant S. Thorn and A. Theodore Tuttle.

O. Leslie Stone, president of Skaggs-Stone, Inc., in Oakland, studied banking and accounting at BYU in 1919-20. Head of the largest wholesale distributor of variety store merchandise, President Stone, besides heading Oakland-Berkeley stake, is chairman of the Oakland Temple district.

Utah Services For C. R. Smith

Rollin C. Smith, a former member of the Alameda ward bishopric, who died November 16, after a long illness, was buried in the Salt Lake City cemetry, after services there, November 21.

He is survived by his wife, Ida B. Smith; and by a daughter, Carol Ann Smith of Alameda ward. He was a brother of Mrs. Edna Hankin, Mrs. John C. Smith, Mrs. Viola Clauson and Mrs. Virginia Lake, all of Salt Lake City; Clifford Smith of Los Angeles and Lloyd E. Smith of Santa Anna. He was a native of Salt Lake City.

Christmas Tree Sale

The Richmond ward will again open their Christmas Tree lot Monday, Dec. 4. The location at Portola and San Pablo Avenues will be open weekdays 11-9 PM; and Saturdays 9-9 PM.

The trees are purchased from the Susanville Ward and is a church project from the time they are cut, benefiting both wards individually on their Building Fund Projects.

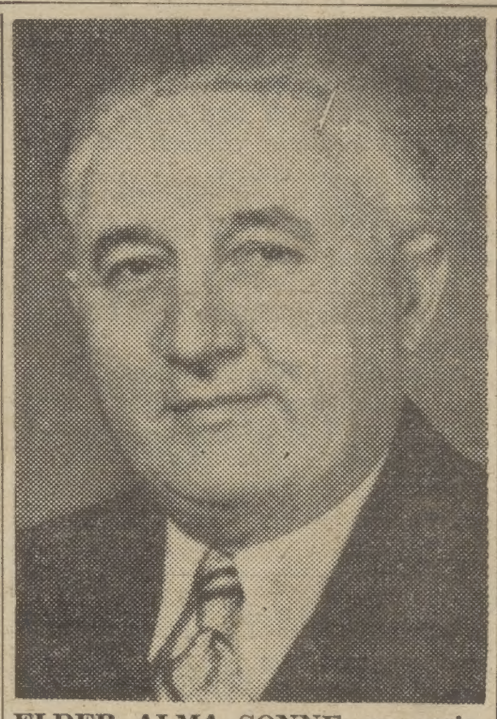
Reese and Lucy Thomsen will again serve as Co-Chairman of this project.

San Francisco Sets Christmas Concert Dec. 15

San Francisco Stake will celebrate the Christmas season by the presentation of a Christmas Concert in the Stake center Friday, December 15, at 8 p.m., under the direction of Jean Lauper, stake music director.

Ward choirs of the stake, many fine soloists and small singing groups will perform. Aleck Townsley will read the scriptures that introduce each of the three parts, Prophecy, Fulfillment and Rejoicing, and the congregation will join in singing some of the best loved carols. The concert will conclude with the combined choirs singing several selections.

All are invited to attend with their families and friends.



ELDER ALMA SONNE, an assistant to the Council of the Twelve Apostles, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, was a featured speaker at the November 25-26 quarterly conferences for Palo Alto and San Mateo Stakes.

Two Wards To Sponsor Ballet

San Carlos and Redwood City wards are sponsoring a ballet "Hanz, Fanz, and Greta" to be given by the Dance Caravan Company, December 9, at a matinee and an evening performance.

Lilian Keber, director of the dance studio, has done the choreography. She calls it a "Christmas Divertissment", a freely adapted version of Hansel and Gretel.

Young people from Redwood City Ward appearing in the ballet are Bruce Voyce as Hansel and Terry Voyce, a Dew Drop Fairy. From San Carlos Ward there are Cecile Keber, the constant nymph, and Lillian Keber Jr., the Fire Fairy.

Both Cecile and Lillian Jr., as well as their mother, Lillian Keber are recent converts.

The Dance Caravan is eligible to attend national meets of accredited ballet schools, an honor only given to those with high professional standards. The "Hanz, Franz, and Greta" ballet was sponsored last year by the American Field Service committee and was well received.

The December 9 performance will be giben at the Sequoia High School at 2:00 p.m. and 8 p.m. Proceeds from an advance ticket sale will go to the wards.

2-ward Barbecue

A Barbecue will be held December 8 for Irvington and Centerville wards. The Centerville ward will hold their bazaar the same evening.

Music Evening December 8, San Mateo

An evening of music has been planned by the San Mateo Stake, December 8 at 8 p.m., in the San Mateo stake house. The performers - some amateurs and some professionals - have been carefully chosen to guarantee a professional performance from all.

The program, arranged by stake Relief Society music director, Marcielle Sorenson, will be as follows: "A Christmas Medley for Piano", solo by Gladys Beckle; "Love Divine", duet by Alta Johnson and Joseph M. Morley accompanied by Merlyn Leatham; Vivaldi's "Concerto in A Minor for Double Violin" by Mary Kate Sawacki and Ronald Daniels; Mozart's "Voi, Che Sapeta" and Rachmaninoff's "In the Silence of Night" by soloist Colleen Baker, accompanied by Thelma Curtis.

"Rhapsody in G Minor for Clarinet", solo by Omeara Daniels: Chopin's "Waltz in C Sharp Minor", solo by Marueen Glew; "Beneath a Southern Sky", soloist Doris Malstrom; "Romance" violin solo by Marie Nielsen; uartet Elaine Alexander, Rosalind Crosby, Marie Nielsen, and Sydney Skidmore, singing "Sound of Music" from Rogers and Hammerstein's, "Sound of Music" accompanied by Karen Lloyd; "Waltz Song" and "I Could Have Danced All Night" by soloist Elaine Romer.

New Reporter For Messenger

Margaret Ahlborn, wife of Ernest Ahlborn of Claremont ward, has been appointed Messenger reporter for Oakland-Berkeley Stake Margaret, who lives at 1515 Allston Way, Berkeley 3, has written for high school magazines and newspapers; was a correspondent for the Ogden Journal; and county reporter for the Slmmit Bee. She writes short stories as a hobby and "to amuse my children." Her husband, formerly a member of the bishopric of Claremont ward, is explorer leader.

200 Children Sing At Stake Session

More than 200 boys & girls from the nine ward primaries of the Oakland-Berkeley stake sang for the morning session of the Oakland-Berkeley stake conference November 19.

In the afternoon session, music was provided by stake and ward Primary officers and teachers.

MRS. OPAL MILLER is photographed by her oil painting of the Sacred Grove which hangs in the High Council room of the Palo Alto Stake center. (Photo by James L. Davis)

ELDER JOHN LONGDEN, an assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will speak at conference sessions December 2 and 3, for two Bay Area stakes: Hayward and San Leandro.

Alma Feller Praised For 11-Yr. Record

Alma Deane Feller, 11½ years Stake President for the Young Women's Mutual Improvement association, was recognized for her service to the girls at the afternoon session of the Oakland-Berkeley stake conference November 19. Succeeding her is Joyce Osborn who had been serving as age group counselor. Both spoke at the session.

Sister Feller served as Young Ladies president in the Berkeley stake, and when the Oakland- Berkeley stake was organibed in 1952, she became president of the new stake.

Serving with Sister Osborn will be Dauna Sandmire and Ruth McMullin.

Tributes were paid to Sister Feller by Stake President O. Leslie Stone, Elmo R. Smith of the stake presidency, and J. Ward Green of the stake high council.

"Many, many girls will call your name blessed," said President Smith.

Library Helps Genealogists

"The size of a library is no criterion of its usefulness," says Mrs. C. A Russell, who points out that that the new genealogical library at the interstake center is offering much help and training. Service at its best is added to research sources at the library.

Because use of the library will increase, local members are urged to get their help now, while librarians have time to assist them.

INTERSTAKE GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The library on Temple Hill will be closed Dec. 23 to January 1. After January 1 the library will be open on Mondays 5—9 p.m.; Wednesdays 10 a.m.—9 p.m. and Saturdays 1—6 p.m.

Correction

In the October Messenger it was stated that every bishop of Berkeley First ward was now living within the boundaries of the ward. One former bishop, Francis R. Wilcox is living in Los Angeles. Cornell F. Jarmon, another former bishop did not appear on the list. J. Edward Johnson was branch president before Berkeley First became a ward, and is still active in Berkeley First.

'God shall lead thee'. . .

By Mabel B. Liddell

"Be thou humble and the Lord thy God shall lead thee by the hand and give the answer to thy prayers."
D & C 112:10

A few pages from an early day history, reveal the tender story of the Lord's guidance and comfort in the life of Martha Gardner Rudy, wife of Josiah P. Rudy, first Patriarch of San Francisco Stake. Excerpts from her biography, relating her life in early day Ashley Valley, (now Vernal) Utah, touch the heart:

"November 30, 1889, my seventh child, another girl was born, Cora Bell. In February 1890, my husband went to the mountains to work in Dyer Mine and was brought home dead of heart trouble. He intended to be gone seventeen days but on the fifteenth day when I awoke in the early morning a voice said, "Alma will be home today, prepare for him." I felt so tired and depressed and tried to understand why, but had to continue on and get my ironing done. We were out of flour so I made hot cakes, but I felt assured Al would be home that day and get more flour. We were very poor and Alice was sent home from school that day for not having shoes and a book.

"I thought over and over the things that had happened since he went away. The children had been sick of croupe, it seemed they would choke to death. The neighbors had come in nights and helped with them.

"Alma had died at the mine and his body was brought down the mountain by friends wearing snowshoes. I learned later that the whole community knew about it before I did, but it was left to my good, old friend, Aunt Abbie Oaks to break the sad news to me. I can never forget her words, how tenderly she conveyed the sad news. As if by magic, the whole community gathered around, expressing their sorrow. Presently the white top pulled up with the body. You can imagine how utterly helpless I felt when I saw the frozen body. I cried out, "Oh God, what will I do now, what will I do when the children get the croupe." It was then that a voice, the same I had heard before, said, "Martha, be comforted. I promise you will never have a child with the croupe again." I never worried about it again and none of my children had the croupe from then on.

"To help me support my family, dear old grandma Mack gave me a new loom for carpet weaving and taught me to weave. The neighbors came with their teams, ploughed and planted seventeen acres of wheat which was cut, shocked and threshed. One day a string of teams, seemingly several miles long brought us dry cedar wood which lasted two years. The wives of these men, (Relief Society Women) came about the same time, each with pots and kettles of food. After feeding all the men, there was enough food left for my family the remainder of the week. Nevertheless, despite all these kindnesses, there were days, weeks and months of worry for present needs.

"It was in the time of one of these needs that I prayed most sincerely for Al to come back and tell me what to do. The carpet loom seemed more of a time killer than a profit making device. One night, feeling especially helpless, I sat in bed and cried bitterly, realizing that I could not make enough with the loom to even buy flour. It was early morning, the door stood open, when Al walked in—dressed in the same clothes he had worn when he went logging. He even walked over to the loom and passed his hand over a strip of woven carpet. He said, "You are worrying about flour. Well I promise you in the name of the Lord, if you live a good life, you will never buy a pound of flour with your own earnings. Others are raising wheat for you. They tell me you are crying all the time now; Martha, be comforted! I don't want to hear tell of that any more and I cannot come back." Then he turned and went out. I jumped up to see where he had gone, but I never saw him again.

"The following is a prophetic vision I had, one early morning. I stood beside a tree in front of the house, bemoaning my lonliness and a young man appeared in front of me, and that same voice I had heard before, spoke these words, "Martha, be comforted. This man will come and help you raise your children, and he will be a great comfort to you."

"Wearily the days passed and the summer had gone. In December 1890, I made plans to board the school teacher, a Mr. Rudy, from the east.

"It was not until school had closed in the spring that I had any inkling of his intentions to stay with us permanently and saw in him the fulfillment of the vision I had of a man who was to come to help raise the children.

"It happened this way. Mr. Rudy was preparing for a trip east of Vernal and had bought suitable clothing including a new cowboy hat with a leather band. When he appeared in the doorway with it on, I was stunned! I recognized him for the first time, as the man I was to marry.

"Mr. Rudy was a consistent student of the principles of the gospel from the time he arrived in the valley, mostly for the purpose of proving them untrue. Up to this time he had only read material which was derogatory to the Church. He now applied himself vigorously to reading the standard works in hope of finding flaws but faithfully accepting that which he found to be true. My brother, a recently returned missionary helped him. Having all his doubts removed, he was shown into the realms of the true church and was baptized by Alma Timothy, April 26, 1901."

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy became the parents of ten children —and all seventeen were one united family—loved and cared for by this marvelous man. Never did he feel or show any partiality whatever—all seventeen were his beloved family. They all admired and honored him and their wonderful mother who proved themselves truly humble so that the Lord could lead them by the hand and give answer to their prayers.

Two Stakes Set Sessions December 2-3

Elder John Longden, an assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles, and Elder Glen L. Rudd, a member of the General Welfare staff of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will be featured speakers Saturday and Sunday, December 2 and 3 for quarterly conferences of San Leandro and Hayward stakes.

San Leandro Stake President Milton P. Ream will conduct general sessions to which the public is invited at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the East Bay Interstake Center, Oakland.

Hayward Stake President Francis B. Winkel of Fremont, will conduct general sessions at noon and 3 p.m. in the Interstake center.

Saturday evening special leadership and welfare meetings are also scheduled.

San Rafael Sets Cookie Carnival

The San Rafael Ward Relief Society will once again tempt with Goodies, some to take home, some to eat on the premises, when they present their "Cookie Carnival" Saturday Dec. 9, at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We warn you, come early! This array of cookies, candies, cakes, pies, breads, jellies, will go "sswwwwish."

Now we must tell you about the famous lunch that is served between 11:30 and 1:00. The hot turkey sandwiches salads, and the desserts defy discription.

Bay Artist Has Many Interests

"Painting is only one of the many interests, I have. I also do mosaics, ceramics, flower arranging, jewelry making and sewing," says Mrs. Opal Millar, Palo Alto First Ward.

She did the oil painting of The Sacred Grove which hangs in a 45 x 32 inch gilt frame in the High Council room of the Palo Alto Stake Center.

She comments further: "Mostly my talents are used in Church work." This is true not only of her paintings, but characteristically of her music for Sister Millar had given many years as stake organist as well as ward Sunday School organist. And she adds, "At the present time I am the Primary orrganist, serve on the stake Sunday School board and sing in the ward choir."

But not only do music, painting and various crafts fill her hours, this very active and versatile worker has spent sixteen years in Relief Society work both on the stake level and as ward Relief Society president.

William Millar (a retired public school teacher) and Opal have reared four worthy sons, two being medical doctors, another in the California Forest Service, and the fourthis now busy with premedical studies at the Brigham Young University, having just returned from a mission in Germany.

Being the grandmother of fourteen grand children is only in keping with Opal Millar's own upbringing. She comes of an old-fashioned Mormon family of sixteen children, all by one father and one mother.

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The Church Opposes Communism

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints opposes Communism. Communism is not a political party; it cannot establish the United Order; it seeks control of religious life; and it is hostile to loyal American citizenship.

These points summarize a statement which was read by Elder Henry D. Taylor at the Oakland-Berkeley stake conference, November 19. The "Warning to Church Members" was dated July 3, 1936 and signed by President Heber J. Grant, J. Ruben Clark, Jr., and David O. McKay of the First Presidency. The complete statement, a timely answer to Communism today, authorized for reprinting by our present-day First Presidency, follows:

No Political Interference

The Church does not interfere, and has no intention of trying to interfere with the fullest and freest exercise of the political franchise of its members, under and within our Constitution which the Lord declared, "I established . . . by the hands of wise men whom I raised up unto this very purpose."

But Communism is not a political party nor a political plan under the Constitution; it is a system of government that is opposite of our Constitutional government, and it would be necessary to destroy our Government before Communism could be set up in the United States.

Since Communism, established, would destroy our American Constitutional government, to support Communism is treasonable to our free institutions, and no patriotic American citizen may become either a Communist or supporter of Communism.

Communism Is Not United Order

To our Church members we say,—Communism is not the United Order, and bears only the most superficial resemblance thereto: Communism is based upon intolerance and force, the United Order upon love and freedom of conscience and action; Communism involves forceful despoliation and confiscation, the United Order voluntary consecration and sacrifice.

Communists cannot establish the United Order, nor will Communism bring it about. The United Order will be established by the Lord in His own due time and in accordance with the regular prescribed order of the Church.

Furthermore, it is charged by universal report, which is not successfully contradicted or disproved, that Communism undertakes to control, if not indeed to prescribe, the religious life of the people living within its jurisdiction, and that it even reaches its hand into the sanctity of the family circle itself, disrupting the normal relationship of parent and child, all in a manner unknown and unsanctioned under the Constitutional guarantees under which we in America live. Such interference would be contrary to the fundamental precepts of the Gospel and tc the teachings and order of the Church.

Communism Is Hostile To Church

Communism being thus hostile to loyal American citizenship and incompatible with true Church membership, of necessity no loyal American citizen and no faithful Church member can be a Communist.

We call upon all Church members completely to eschew Communism. The safety of our divinely inspired Constitutional government and the welfare of our Church imperatively demand that Communism shall have no place in America.

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Richard Young Unveils Statue

Richard W. Young, a great-grandson of Brigham Young, and a member of Berkeley First ward, unveiled a statue of Brigham Young on the Brigham Young university campus in front of the new administration and general services blilding. The unveiling was one of the highlights of November homecoming events.

Speaking for the family was S. Dilworth Young, a great-grandson of Brigham Young, and a member of the First Council of Seventy of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The statue was cast from the plaster original created by the late Mahonri Young for the top of the "This is the place" monument at the entrance to Emigration

North German Mission For Ted Burrows

Theordore (Ted) John Burrows, star boarder at the Bill Wheeler home, has been called on a mission to North Germany. His farewell testimonial will be held in the Oakand Third ward chapel December 17. He will enter the mission home in Salt Lake City January 1, 1962.

Ted attended our ward when he was serving in the Coast Guard. After his discharge, he returned home to Southern California, but found the Bay Area irresistable and returned here to live.

He has been a member of the Third ward Senior basketball team.

Live The Gospel, Gratefully, Advises Elder Ezra T. Benson

"We have so much more to be thankful for than other people that we risk being ungrateful," Ezra Taft Benson of the Quorum of the Twelve told a capacity audience at the Walnut Creek Stake Conference October 22 at the East Bay Interstake Center. His hearers occupied nearly every seat in the 2200-place auditorium, including the balcony.

Citing some of the material blessings Latter-day Saints commonly enjoy, Elder Benson said, "All this and the Gospel, too!"

"Our country has a prophetic history," he reminded his audience after expressing confidence in the outcome of the current critical struggle. "But we must live the Gospel and keep the commandments if we are to escape the consequences of evil-doing we find so widespread these days. Other great countries have declined for such failures.

"We should take an interest in our government and support it with participation and prayer." He drew a close parallel between our own history and that of Rome that was conquered by decline in morals, waste, high costs of government, doles luxuries, and despotism before foreign invaders could succeed. Creeping socialism is closely related to international communism," Benson warned. "Peace can come only through righteous living and cannot be imposed by force."

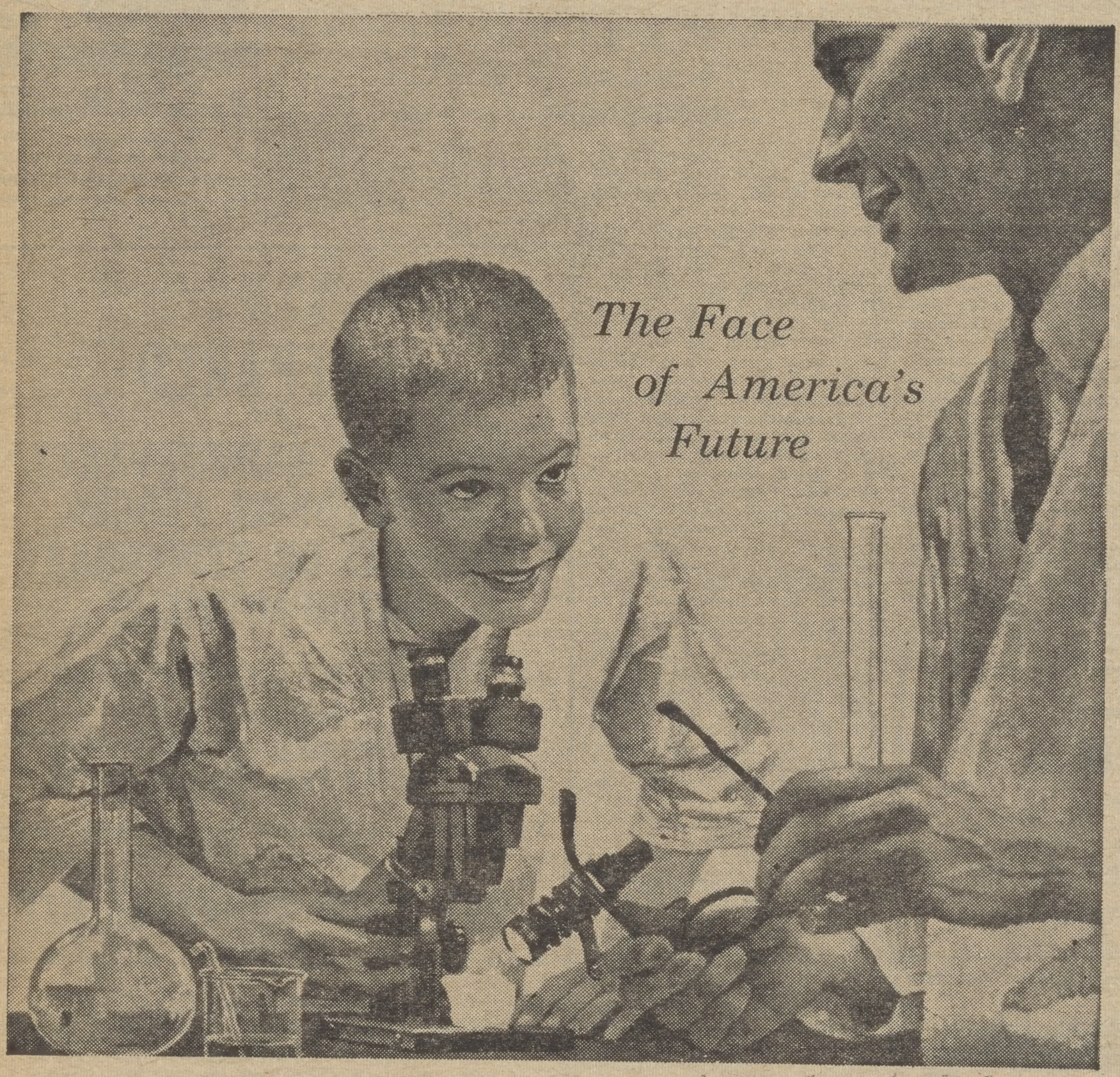
Elder Benson was assisted in conducting the conference by Elder Mark B. Garff of the Church General Welfare Committee who challenged: "If we are getting so busy we don't have time for the Lord's work, we are too busy indeed. Our Prophet and General Authorities are as truly chosen by the Lordas were the early Apostles.

"They have given us the Welfare Program that assures us that no members of the Church need be in want. Furthermore, no member of the Church need be in fear. Khruschev has tried to set himself up in God's place. But no unhallowed hand shall stop the Church from progressing. There is only one protection: to serve the Lord with your whole heart. We shall not live like moles in the ground."

Stake President Norman B. Creer opened the conference with a report that Wanut Creek now has 28 full-time missionaries in the field and hopes to have 40 next year. Martinez Ward, smallest in the stake, has 7, he said.

There have been 200 converts in the Stake so far this year, 65 of them from 8 to 11 years old and 125 under 20, President Creer reported. Citing the problems occasioned by the rapid growth of the early Church, he pointed out the necessity of maintaining rec ords adequate to enable bishops to make accurate forecast and to keep all members in full fellowship.

First Counselor Kenneth D. Jensen urged personal activity. Second Counselor J. R. Hilton labelled missionary work "the foremost calling of the Church" and said that while converts are coming into the Church at a record rate the rate is still not great enough..



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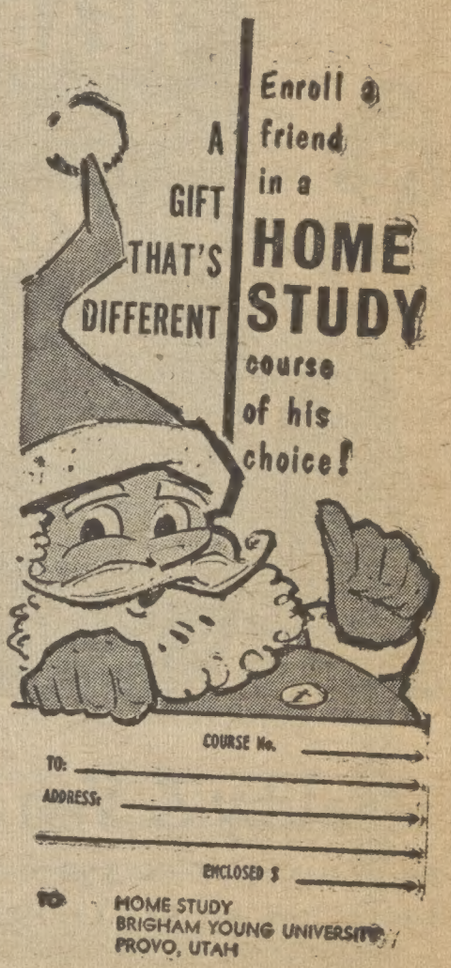

Oakland Third

Two Attend State Youth Conference

The Governor's Conference on Youth for Community Service held in Long Beach on Nov. 13 and 14, had two delegates from our ward, Ken Matheson and Marvin Bennett. Ken was sponsored by the Oakland Board of Education and Marvin by the YMCA. Purpose of the conference was to train leaders in civic and church groups to set into action projects which will enlist the energies of the young people and help the fight against juvenile delinquency. The boys enjoyed attending classes on various subjects, and especially liked the big dance held Monday night and attended by Governor Brown.

Charles Gustaveson has been released as Manual Counselor of the YMMIA. Bill Rice has been sustained as the new counselor .

Corey Elizabeth Coulter was blessed and given a name by her father, John B. Coulter, on Fast Sunday this month. Also given a blessing were the three children of the Larry Sigmans. Sister Sigman was confirmed a member of the church this day, too.

Davis and Bonnie Kittinger welcomed a new son, Mark, on Nov. 14. Davis is a president of the 247th Quorum of Seventy.

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ROBERT G. LARSEN, and family, have retlrned to their home in Happy Valley, after three years in England where he was manager and director of research at the Thornton Research center, and served as president of the first stake organized in Europe.

Castro Valley

Ralph Hoover Mission Call

By Afton Eagles

Ralph Edward Hoover has been called to the Scottish Irish mission, with headquarters in Renfrew, Scotland. A farewell testimonial was held for Elder Hoover in October.

Speaking at the testimonial were Mark Facer, Bishop Heber J. Brown, Marvin Brown, James Campbell, Bishop Mudge, President Ream, Ralph, his father, John Hoover, and his mother, Ethel Hoover.

Ralph attended Castro Valley high school two years ago and since then has worked as a grocery store checker and also attended Diablo Valley Junior college and Oakland Junior college. Brother and Sister Hoover attended Ralph on his journey to the Mission home in Salt Lake City when Ralph reported there Nov. 6.

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President First European Stake Returns Home

Robert G. Larsen, his wife, Francelle, and their three sons, David, Dennis and Ronald, have returned to their Happy Valley home in Lafayette after three years in England where he served as president of the Manchester stake, first stake to be organized in Europe.

President Larsen was called to England in 1958 to become manager and director of research at the Thornton Research center, one of the largest industrial research laboratories in the United Kingdom.

Sister Larsen assisted in church work in many capacities. Her biggest assignment was to train the Singing Mothers of the Midland Area in England to participate in the International Singing Mothers Chorus, a group of 250 ladies from England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, and America who sang at the dedication of the London Hyde Park Chapel last February.

Following this the Singing Mothers sang in London, Manchester, Nottingham, Cardiff, Glasgow and Belfast. Their Singing was acclaimed by critics throughout the Isles; they caused much favorable comment in the press regarding the church.

President Larsen reports that the change in the attitude toward the church in the last few years in Great Britian has been most dramatic. This coupled with the tremendous church building program in England will no doubt lead to great gains in church membership. In the Manchester Stake alone, four new chapels have been placed under construction since May of this year. Some 35 buildings are to be started in the United Kingdom this year.

President Larsen was formerly a member of the High Council of Oakland Stake and then of Berkeley Stake; later he was bishop of Walnut Creek ward during the time the chapel there was constructed. Professionally he is returning to assume a position as Consultant to the Oil Process and Products Division of Shell Development Co., Emeryville,

The two younger boys are enrolled at Acalanes High School. Their married son, Robert Jr., living with his family in Pleasant Hill, is a psychologist for the Contra Costa County Probation department.

Missionary News

Berkeley First ward has two full-time missionaries living here: Elders Royal and Hogan. Elder Royal is from North Carolina and Elder Hogan from Preston, Idaho. They are anxious to meet the members of the ward.

Mary Okahada, a missionary from Berkeley First, has been released from her mission, but is remainisg in Japan for about six weeks to visit with friends and do some genealogical research. If you wish to write to her, she can be reached through mission headquarters in Japan.

Elder Charles G. Carter would appreciate hearing from ward members. His address: 49 Lieberstr, Basel, Switzerland.

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Oakland Second

Jay C. Rounds 2nd Counselor

By Betty Grommesh

Elder Jay C. Rounds has been called to serve as Second Counselor to President Mark E. Anderson of the Finnish Mission. Included in his present duties is the establishment of a plan for teaching English to the Finnish people.

Jay reports that the Finns are a cautious people and door-to-door proselyting has not been as effective as might be desired. However, last month, when the class in English was announced in Turku, more than 100 people attended.

Similor success with youth programs and American sports programs have been noted, Jay reports.

He states that his health is excellent and he is enjoying the work. His mission service will end in April 1962. His address is Neitsytpolku 3A 4, Helsinki, Finland. He is son of Bishop Glenn and Ruth Rounds.

RICHMOND WARD

Margene Ridge was recently sustained as the new Richmond Ward Primary President, with Carolyn DeLaMare and Norma Silveira as counilors.

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PAT FARR, University ward, is serving her second year as a pom-pon girl at the University of California, Berkeley. She is a junior, majoring in history, is vice president of Panile, a women's honor society, and was selected by President Clark Kerr as one of 25 students to repesent the University in the California club, an inter-campus organizations which acts as liasion between the president and the students.. In church, she has been a Sunday School organist, a counselor in Relief Society, and is ward organist. She is the daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Jesse R. Farr.

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San Francisco Ward

D. Alger Heads Stake Mission

By George Kaides

David W. Alger was released as second counselor to Bishop Thomas O. Call, Oct. 15 by President Irven G. Derrick. Brother Alger was called to the position of President of the Stake Mission at the last quarterly conference. Donald F. Owen was sustained as new second counselor.

Albert G. Call, 3rd. was sustained as superintendent of the Young Men's Mutual. Brother Grant C. Lund was sustained and set apart as second assistant in the Sunday School superintendency Oct. 15. Other officers sustained were: Brent Rodgers as Scoutmaster, James Daily Jr. and Gary Owens as assistant Scoutmaster. Francis Meyer as Sports Director. Beverly Keddington will teach the Mia Maid class. William Marquardt continues as secretary, YMMIA.

Harold Johnson and his wife Lucile were honored by the San Francisco Missionaries with a "Sharing the Gospel" award for extraodinary work in the missionary field.

San Francisco ward members held their annual bazaar and dinner November 3. The Elders Quorum furnished the dinner. Booths were unveiled after the dinner.

The Elders Quorum of the ward are helping to support a missionary in the field in Germany, Harold Scherwinsky. Every other Friday evening they present a movie in the ward recreation hall, fit for all ages of Latter-day Saints. Inquire of Walter Wunderlich about the movie, SK. 2-8058.

Miss Orlin Wachter was baptized Nov. 4 and confirmed on Fast Sunday Nov. 5 by Elder Wilcox.

A total of 18 members of the San Francisco ward attended Los Angees Temple sessions, September 16. Ellan Irene Bell Wood, daughter of Charles Veston Bell and Lydia Irene Harrell, and Thomas Walter Wood Jr. son of Thomas Walter Wood and Amy Amelia Bell were sealed at the Los Angeles Temple. Both of them are converts to the church since Sept. 1959. Brother Wood is chairman of the Genealogical Committee of the ward and sister Wood is secretary of the Stake Sunday School. Agnes Kalikolani Utu of the San Francisco Ward and Pemasa Utu of the Polynesian Ward were also sealed at the Temple.

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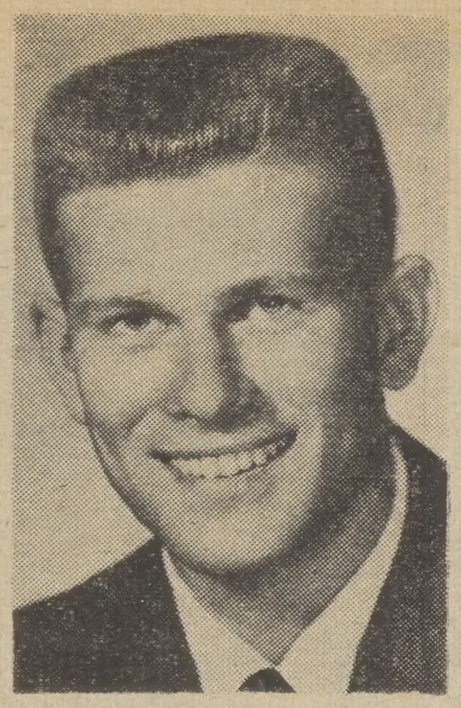

ELDER JAY C. ROUNDS has been called to serve as second counselor to President Mark E. Anderson in the Finnish Mission.

Alameda Ward

David Shaw To Serve In Florida

David Rex Shaw will enter the mission home in Salt Lake City, December 4, and will go to the Florida Mission. His farewell testimonial was held in Alameda Ward chapel, Sunday, November 26. David, the son of Rex and Grace Shaw, graduated from Alameda High School in June 1960, attended Oakland City College for one year, and graduated from Seminary.

About 40 friends gathered at the home of Hazel Bangerter for a gala "bon voyage" party honoring Isobel (Boots) Buck and Dallas Pocock who jetted to New York, sailing on the S.S. Noordam to Rotterdam where the Winkels met them and then on to London, England, where they will visit with Boots' sister until mid-January. Boots' trip was suggested by her doctor and Dallas accompanied her.

Alameda Ward regrets having the full-time Missionaries taken from Alameda. Elder Robert Bement is going to Fresno and Elder Robert Hansen to San Jose, may the Lord bless them in their new assgnments.

The Ward's love and sympathy go to Elaine Lane and family whose father, Bishop Hess, of Farmington, Utah, passed away. He visited Alameda on several occasions.

Vera and Walter Soots are enjoying visit with Vera's sister Rita Lynn of Salt Lake City.

Leona Walker of San Jose was recently the house guest of Lue and Hank Seavers.

The Charles Goodfellow family are spending Thanksgiving week in Utah. It will be a real Thanksgiving for them as they will go through the Salt Lake Temple while there.

Katie Simpson is recovering from bruises received when she fell down the Church steps.

Eileen Freen has recently returned from a trip to Salt Lake City where she attended a session of conference, a session in the Temple, and a meeting of the D.U.P.

Katheen Lenzi Gets 7-Year Special Award

Kathleen Lenzi, daughter of Dwight and Melba Lenzi, is the first girl in the history of Rodeo Ward to win a 7th year award in M.I.A. A special locket-necklace honoring the seven individual awards was presented to Kathy's mother by YMMIA president, Vera Wells, Sister Lenzi then very proudly placed the necklace around her daughter's neck.

Kathleen, always a devoted to the Church, is on the Youth Missionary Committee, has actively participated in all auxiliaries serving as Primary and Sunday School teachers, MIA dance director and assistant music director. She has attended Camp regularly and was a counselor this past summer for Rodeo Ward. Kathy loves people and is happiest when she is serving her Father in Heaven.

She is attending Contra Costa Junior College, studying Cosmetology. She has one sister, Peggy Ann, and one brother, Bill.

Artists Meet, Result, 'Cindy'

The music and lyrics for a big musical like "Cindy" are important highlights of an intergrated production, but behind this particular set of music and lyrics lies a sort of Cinderella story itself. Not a rags to riches story, but more apropos of Mormonism at work.

Elders Lucas Politis Jr. of San Francisco Stake and Richard E. Hammerstrom of Hayward Stake for several years had each struggled on his own with both words and music. They were unable to achieve the success of "Cindy" until meeting each other in 1956. Since then they have combined their talents.

The MIA, which sponsors the Theater Arts Guild, offered these young men their opportunity for expression, the church provided the framework that makes it all possible—the stage, the actors.

The musical "Cindy" will be presented at the Stake Center January 19, 25, and 26, 1962. Tickets will go on sale in December with part of the proceeds going to help sponsor Girls' Camp for the Oakland-Berkeley stake.

KATHLEEN LENZI is the first girl in the history of Rodeo ward to win a seventh year Individual award in the Mutual Improvement association.

Mission Report

Elder Russel Muir, son of Joseph and Virginia Muir, gave his homecomming talk at a Walnut Creek ward Sacrament meeting, in November, after two and a half years in the Finnish mission. Some sidelights of his mission will be covered in a feature in the next issue of the Messenger.

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Youth Awards At Conference

Young men and young women of Oakland-Berkeley stake were recognized for achievements in the third quarter of the year, at stake conference November 19, at the Inter-stake center.

Girls of the Alameda ward received a trophy from J. Ward Green of the Oakland-Berkeley stake high council for scoring 1173 points. Berkeley First ward girls were second with 1116 points.

Young men and their leaders of the Oakland Fourth ward received a trophy from M. Dee Smith, chairman of the stake committee for Aaronic priesthood under 21, for placing first in points based on meeting Aaronic priesthood requirements. Oakland Third placed second and Berkeley Second was third.

Alameda ward was honored for showing the most improvement over last year's mark.

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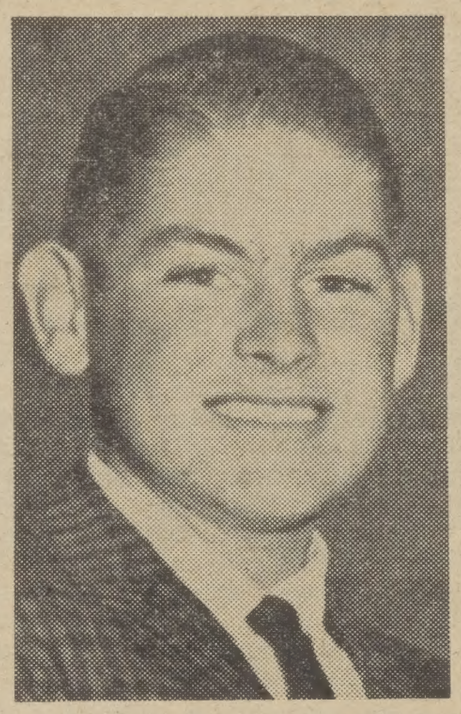
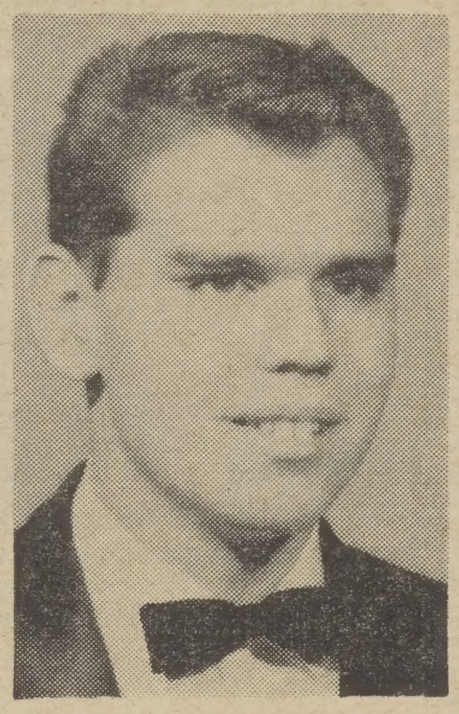


GREGORY BENSON, received his Duty to God award for participation in scouting and Aaronic Priesthood work, from Bishop Keith E. Garner, of the Menlo Park ward, Palo Alto Stake, in October. Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley T. Benson is a senior at MenloAtherton high school.



DAVID ESPERSON, of Richmond ward, a Priest, received his Duty to God Award, October 22, from Bishop Harold E. DeLaMare.

JOHN MADSEN . . .
CHARLES GIMBLE . . .
TWO young men of the San Lorenzo Second ward recently received their Duty to God awards after more than four years of activity in the Aaronic Priesthood program of the Church and in Boy Scouting. Each has earned 90 per cent seals on their four individual awards. Seniors at Arroyo high school, John has served as seminary president and Charles as vice president. Both are Priests. John is son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Madsen; Charles is son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gomes.

80 Merit Badges At Honor Court

A total of 80 merit badges, including 16 for Boy Scouts who have completed their 50-mile hike, and two who qualified for their mile swim, were presented at Berkeley Second ward Court of Honor October 7. Dave Jensen and Dave Hulme received Life awards and Robert Nord and Frank Hulme received Star rank. Robert Nord, John Balmforth and Frank Hulme led the list with eight or more badges each. Bruce Ricks and Mark Hopkins qualified for the mile swim.

Berkeley First

Choir Presents Musical Dec. 24

By Charlene Jenson

The choir is planning a special musical and narrative treat for the Berkeley First ward on Christmas Eve. Soloists will be Afton Stout, Jean Frankel, Sunja Evans and Dorothy Bench. Dauna Sandmire will be the narrator and accompanist will be Dona Isaacson. Speaker has not been announced. ced.

After such a successful ward party under the direction of Joe Kestner, plans are under way for another one during the Christmas holidays, with our out-of-town students participating.

Galavantin' Goblins was the theme of the Halloween party held October 31. Joe Kestner was in charge.

The MIA is planning a special musical program during the holidays with a party afterward.

Beehives and their mothers had a lovely evening learning all about the Beehive program. Special introductions were made by the girls and a verse given about their "Queen Bee."

The Elders' Quorum and wives had a dinner dance with a Japanese theme. Chicken Sukiaki, rice, soup, green beans, abalone and ice cream and cake were the main items on the menu.

The Elders' Quorum has a new secretary, Fred Scholes.

Alameda Ward

Bob De Celle Earns Eagle

At the recent Alameda Boy Scout Council Eagle dinner, Robert E. DeCelle II was recognized for his Eagle Scout award. His is the second Eagle from Alameda ward (first was Lowell Jensen).

Robert, 16, is president of the Alameda Council Explorer cabinet and representative from Post 16. He is active in Priesthood, has served as second counselor in both Deacons' and Teachers' quorums and as secretary of Teachers' quorum, and stake representative for his seminary class.

Active in school athletics, he won the Alameda County Athletic league cross-country championship in 1961, was named "Athlete of the Year" at the end of track season in 1961. He was one of three young men to repesent Oakland-Berkeley stake at the Federation of Christian athletes summer camp at Estes park. He is a junior at Alameda high school. In 1958 he was selected by the San Francisco Examiner-American Weekly as Junior Diplomat from California and sent to Australia. In 1960 he traveled with Explorer Post 16 to Japan.

Now serving as a student missionary, he is planning on fulfilling a mission for the Church.

Oakland-Berkeley

High Priests Enjoy 1961 Dinner-Meet

By David Cummings

A record attendance, an unusually varied program and an excellent dinner marked the annual banquet of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake High Priests Quorum in the Interstake Center October 27. Members of the quorum and their wives, with widows of high priests as honored guests, numbered 366.

Don C. Corbett, general chairman of the banquet committee, presided and Samuel L. Holmes was a versatile master of ceremonies. Other members of the committee were John C. Franz, Elmer Parker, Irving N. Erickson, Anthony D. Woolf. They were given a hearty expression of appreciation.

The gathering was under the direction of Delbert H. Rock, President of the High Priests Quorum, who gave a short address of welcome.

The program was enthusiastically received. Patricia Stone, soprano, with Nancy Reid as accompanist, was warmly applauded in the opening numbers. She was followed by a string trio, Joseph Romney, cellist, Mrs. Florence Romney, violinist, and Rowene Basinger, pianist, who won emphatic approval. E. Afton Stout, long a favorite as a bass singer in East Bay Chruch circles, sang two solos accompaniied by Rowene Basinger.

A type of entertainment rarely seen on such occasions was a dance interpreting the negro spiritual, "Take My Mother Home", performed by Juan Valenzuela. LeRoy Clovis brought hearty laughs in a comedy sketch with Samuel L Holmes, Richard and Velma Johnson, accompanied by Helen Clovis, sang with their usual fine artistry. Nancy Reid at the piano showed rare talent in the closing numbers.

Elmer B. Clark offered the invocation and Walter L. Aylett the benediction.

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Candy Sale

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Alameda Ward

Myrtle Strong Dodderer of Castro Valley, a long-time resident of Alameda, recently passed away and was buried from the Hagy-Keenan funeral chapel with Bishop George Pinckney officiating. Ward members will remember her as sister of the late Helena Massey.

San Rafael

Leon Hunsaker Named Bishop

By Nettie Clark

San Rafael Ward underwent a noteworthy change Sunday, November 12, when the Santa Rosa Stake Presidency, under the direction of President Weston L. Roe released Bishop Juan J. Lynn and his counselors, Percy L. Poulson and James T. Jackson, and ward clerk Kenneth W. Shields.

We sustained as our new Bishop, Leon M. Hunsaker, with Robert L. Griffiths as first counselor and Kenneth W. Shields as second counselor. Ward clerks have not yet been announced.

Bishop Hunsaker was born at Deweyville, Utah, May 6, 1923. He was Student Body President at Bear River high school. He attended Utah State college and St. Louis University, where he received his B.S. degree and then the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he received his Masters Degree. It was while attending Utah State in September, 1946, that he met a lovely coed, Margaret, who became his wife in the Logan Temple in June 1947. Bishop Hunsaker is a Meteorologist for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. He taught Junior high in Carmicheal, California. Among the many positions he has held in the church are: Counselor to the Branch President in East St. Louis, Mo., counselor, then Superintendent of Sunday School in San Rafael ward, as well as assistant Ward Clerk, and superintendent of the YMMIA.

Hayward Second

Roger Boren To Austria

Austria is the destination of Hayward Second ward's second full-time missionary, Roger Wayne Boren.

Elder Boren, the son of Wayne and Effie Boren, qualified himself for this call by his diligence in and out of the Church. Born in Bingham, Utah, reared in Southern Idaho, he was transplanted to California.
nia.

His farewell testimonial was held November 19, 1961. He reported to the mission home in Salt Lake City the following week.

November 4 a ward carnival and Relief Society bazaar were held jointly under the direction of new Relief Society President, Sally Marshall along with her counselors, Katy Brown and Ruth Hunter, with Beverly Merrill as Work Director.

September 12, the Douglas Stone family were blessed by the birth of a boy, which was named Adam Leslie; and October 6, the Ernest Bennetts became the parents of a boy, and named him, Bradley Jon.

Relief Society Bazaar Dec. 9

Toys, cuddly dolls, baby quilts and other Christmas gifts will be featured at the Relief Society bazaar Dec. 9 in the Hayward recreation room. A ham dinner will be served at 5:30. There will be a well-stocked booth of home-baked goods, and the children will see their perennial favorite, the fish-pond. Joan Hamblin is in charge, with Phyllis Taylor assisting. Doors will open at 3:30.

December 23 parents and their children under 12 are invited to a Christmas party in the recreation room. A program will be directed by the Junior Sunday school and the Primary, with Kay Marie Prince and Tyyni Carlson in charge.

Elder Bernie Stewart, son of Madge and Bernard Stewart, participated in the Church conference in Switzerland at which a new Swiss Stake was organized. Elder Stewart reported that President Moyle talked to the conference from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and the members could have listened even longer.

Santa's Coming To Claremont Ward Dec. 15

Christmas is coming! Santa himself will be guest of honor at the Ward Christmas party, December 15. Festivities will include the Relief Society Christmas bazaar featuring homemade items for Christmas-giving and decorating the Primary Christmas program, and a dinner prepared by Elders' Quorum Wives. For the children, the evening will be climaxed by Santa's arrival from the North Pole with a bag of pre-Christmas goodies.

The MIA Christmas party Dec. 19 will include a musical program followed by dancing. Appropriate decorations will add to the spirit of the evening, as will Yuletde punch and cookies.

Geneva Hess has been called as Relief Society president. Mary Finlayson and Eunice Knecht will serve as her counselors. Donetta Madsen will continue as secretary. A special feature of the December meetings will be the Christmas program and luncheon, Dec. 19.

Caroline Anderson took a leading part in "The Teahouse of the August Moon" which played at the Contra Costa Civic Theatre during the fall months. The Young Married group attended one of the performances and enjoyed the entire play, not to mention Caroline's charming portrayal of a geisha girl. Afterward the hospitality of the Anderson home was enjoyed by the group.

Mary and Ed Feeley are proud of the new baby boy at their new home.

We are sorry to lose Mary and Al Kassow who have moved from our ward to Oakland First. Mary was our Relief Society president and Kass was our genealogy chairman. Also, We will miss the Pennocks who have purchased a new home in Oakland Third Ward.

Centerville

Michael Blout To British Mission

By Verona Alvord

Elder Michael Winton Blout of Centerville ward has recently been called to serve as a missionary in the Central British Mission.

Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Blout, was honored at a missionary farewell October 22. A reception was held immediately following the meeting in the recreation hall. Speakers included Dr. C. Ronald Smith, President Francis B. Winkel as well as Elder Blout's grandmother May Telshaw, his mother, and Bishop Kay W. Richardson.

Two other fine dinners have recently been held in the ward in connection with the budget. The first was sponsored by the Primary and the second by the Mutual.

A program was held in the ward Nov. 20 and 27 to more fully acquaint the parents of our scout age boys with this fine program. Paul Dunn was in charge

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Oakland Second

Relief Society Says "Thanks"

By Betty Grommesh

The Oakland Second ward Relief Society would like to thank all ward members and those outside the ward who helped make their Bazaar a success.

William Beard has been ordained to the office of a Priest and is the General Secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood under 21. Llewellyn Fickes is the General Secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood over 21.

Confirmed the past month were; Michael Rasmussen, son of Gary Rasmussen, Beverly K. Forbush, wife of John Forbush Sr., Lawrence & Carol Hutchings, son and daughter of Lois Hutchings, a recent convert. Babies blessed were: Jimmie Dee Christensen, son of the former Jackie Nelson, Antoinette DiMercurio, daughter of the former Laraine Marshall, John Miller, grandson of the John DeReus"s and Douglas Elam, son Dennis Lee Wilson was blessed by his father Harvey Wilson.

Beatrice, Sylvia and Yvonne Seidl spanned about 7,000 miles in two weeks going to coast to coast. They travelled through Utah, Wyoming, Colorado Missouri Indiana Illinois Kentucky Tennessee, North Carolina and the District of Columbia.

They touched Williamsburg, Virginia, where Henry Patrick and his associates voted to break loose from Mother England; then toured Washington, D.C.

From our Bishopric, your Reporter and our ward members we wish all a Happy Thanksgiving and get prepared to make your New Year's Resolution with the Gospel in mind.

ONE OF THE TOP activities in Troop 738, Castro Valley Second Ward, Boy Scouts, was their Labor Day service project, installation of bases for flags along Casro Valley boulevard. The project was supported by the Castro Valley Chamber of Commerce to encourage displaying the flag. Troop 738 has assumed responsibilty to raise and lower the flag on patriotic holidays. From left to right in the picture are: Winston King, manager Castro Valley Chamber of Commerce; Herman Christensen, committee chairman; Bill Osler, Keith Blazin and George Blazin, Scoutmaster.

Berkeley Second

Missionaries, Parents Meet

Parents of 12 Berkeley Second ward missionaries now serving in the field, were recently honored at a party at the home of Bishop Owens. All of the parents were present except Willard and June Ellis who were vacationing in New York and Dr. and Sister Douglas Ream who were in Europe. With the call of Don Boyack, we now have 13 full-time missionaries.

Castro Valley 2nd

Troop Raises 36 U.S. Flags

Members of Boy Scout Troop 738 of Castro Valley Second Ward raised 36 flags in the business and professional district on Armistice Day. They also by special invitation, presented colors for the dedication of the new Castro Valley County library on Redwood road. One of the interesting Scout projects has been the selling of flags and giving flag service to the merchants and professional men. The service includes drilling the holes and installing a pipe holder for the flag pole, maintainance and posting and retiring the colors on each holiday, and patriotic occasion.

Congratulations to the Relief Society on an attractively presented and varied bazaar to which was added a delicious turkey dinner.

Three boys of Troop 738 attended the Third Annual Leadership Training session at Los Mochos, called Tomahawk. Each one, Mike Dixon, Jimmy Wellmon, and Kirk Marsh, was patrol leader in his patrol. We are proud of their ability and accomplishments.

Castro Valley Second is delighted to have as new members of the ward, converts Richard Elsea, George and James Howland, and Charles and Phillip Bernards, the latter nephews of Brother and Sister Parley Bernards. Lane Cropper and Gary Bindy became members following their eighth birthday.

Castro Valley Second welcomes two new families, the Albert Hedquists, with their five children, and the Harald Croppers, with their three. Both Brother Hedquist and Brother Cropper have been sustained as Ward Teaching Supervisors and Sister Hedquist as Firelight teacher in Primary.

The second annual Thanksgiving service was held Thanksgiving morn at 11:00 in the Castro Valley chapel. Bishop Herber James Brown set the mood for a reverent and grateful Thanksgiving for the many who attended.

Truth Goes Nobly Onward, Says Elder Henry Taylor

"The standard of truth has been erected and the truth of God will go forward nobly," said Elder Henry D. Taylor, assistant to the Council of the Twelve, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, at the morning session of the quarterly conference conducted for Oakland-Berkeley stake, November 19.

Each of us, fathers, mothers, boys, girls at home at school, at work can be missionaries, he explained, as he expressed gratitude for the church.

In the afternoon session, Elder Taylor discussed two forces at work in the world today—one for good, and the other for evil. One trying to build up men, the other trying to tear down.

To meet the dangers of this second force, the evil of communism he read a warning from the brethren (reprinted on editorial page).

"The welfare program is a permanent plan for temporary assistance," and is also spiritual, he explained.

Oakland-Berkeley Stake President O. Leslie Stone, in the morning session urged all to share in helping to build a temple here. He expressed hope that construction will start in March of 1962 and dedication will be in September 1963.

In discussing free agency, he said the Lord has left it up to us to choose good or evil in this existence which is a proving grolnd.

Afternoon speakers, in addition to Elder Taylor, were: Elmo R. Smith, first counselor, and W. Paul Summerhays, second counselor in the stake presidency; Alma Deane Feller, released after serving as YWMIA president in Berkeley stake and in Oakland-Berkeley for a total of 11½ years; Joyce Osborn, new stake YWMIA president; Grant Cluff, seminary coordinator for Oakland-Berkeley area, who served as a counselor when Elder Taylor was a Bishop, in Ogden; and Lorenzo N. Hoopes of the stake high council who discussed the welfare program and the need for keeping sight of the original purpose of this unique church plan to help people help themselves.

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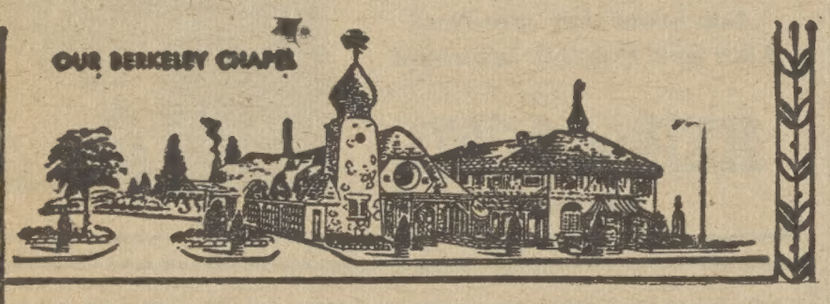

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University Archaeological Society Summer Activities

Dr. Ross T. Christensen has headed reconniassance and excavation work at Montezuma and Long Canyon, San Juan County in far southern Utah. Most of the sites thus far surveyed date to the period roughly 1000 A.D.

Dr. Christensen delivered a series of ten lectures at the Leadership Week at Ricks College, Rexberg, Idaho, November 15-18.

The Department of Archaeology of the Brigham Young University has now completed its move to its new quarters on the ground floor of the Carl G. Maeser Memorial building.

The new facilities offer much needed space for the processing and storage of artifacts acquired through field work and private donations. Also provided is a museum preparation area which includes a seminar room and office space for graduate assistants.

A new Museum of Archaeology is taking shape on the ground floor of the Maeser building. One whole section, for example, will be dedicated to dispays relating to the Tree of Life.

It is hoped that with these new and expanded facilities for research and instruction, there will also come greater opportunities for students of archaeology at BYU. Eleven students declared archaeology as their major subect during the first semester registration at BYU.

The November 15, 1961 University Archaeological Society Newsletter contains an interesting review of an article on the question of Indian orgins in Science of Man August 1961. The author has given up the old theory that the American Indian ancestors came from Asia via the Bering Straits. His other theory is very interesting.

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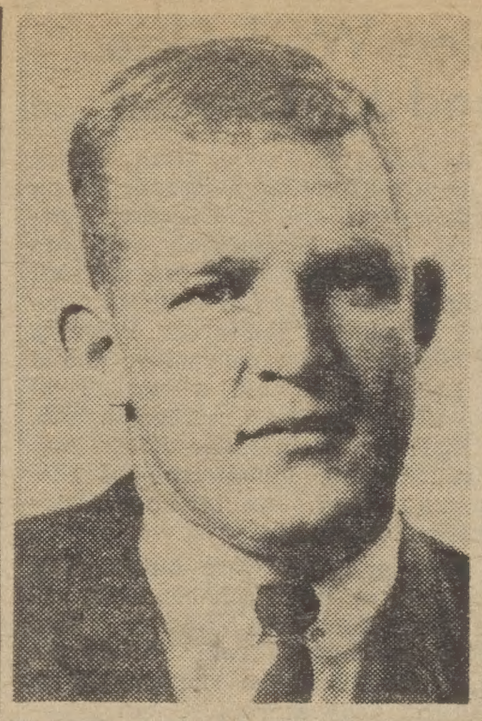

ELDER HAL LA PRAY of Hayward ward is laboring in the Texas mission, His address, 3419 Carnegie street, Houston, Texas.

Walnut Creek

Dance Party December 19

A Christmas ward dancing party is being planned for December 19, with decorations, food, and a live orchestra. Ward members, adults especially, are invited to come and enjoy the kind of evening that used to be customary when all ages danced together. The young people in Mutual plan many activities such as this Christmas party. Mutual officers have been pleased with how well they carry out their responsibilities. The Halloween party is an example of their able hlandling.

A steak dinner was served to 300 people at the Relief Society bazaar. Arnell Clark was dinner chairman and Ina Speer in chrge of decorations. The home bakery was well-stocked and many inexpensive Christmas gifts were featured in the needle work department. Children were entertained by a dart game, a fish pond and a make-up booth.

There will be a Christmas Tasting Party at which women will bring samples of a Christmas goodie with a recipe. Hot punch will be served. Phyliss Christofferson has been called as organist for the Relief Society.

Kenneth and Lora Skidmore are conducting the Era drive. Douglas Lindley is coach of the basketball team. Pat Lee, dance director, is holding modern dance sessions. Mary Trueblood is YWMIA age group counselor.

The Fireside group met at the home of Darrell Williams and elected Glenn Spencer as president; Ginny Muir, vice president; and Jim Baker, secretary.

Paul Pyle and Brent Henderson have entered Mutual as Primary graduates and second class scouts.

Joan Uffins has been coming home from the hospital on weekends and expects to be home for good by Christmas. She is out of the iron lung and can now have visitors. Complete use of all her faculties has been regained except she must learn to walk. After three months of serious illness in the hospital she is now making a remarkable recovery.

President Carl M. Rogers of the Walnut Creek Stake mission was Sacrament speaker and stated there had been a hundred per cent increase in number of baptisms over last year for the some period.

Allen Mayfield has been ordained a teacher.

The Vaughn Lauritzens are happy with the arrival of their fourth little daughter.

Hayward Ward

New appointments in Hayward ward include: John Hancock is superintendent of Sunday School with Keyne Monson and Ron Lewis as assistants.

Leonard Lyon, Explorer leader, now has Ed Billings as his assistant.

Albert Heiner On City Board

Albert P. Henier, Kaiser Steel executive, has been named by Oakland's Mayor John C. Houlihan, to the Industrial Development Commission. He also serves on the Mayor's Advisory committee for city development.

The Industrial commission will rank with other Oakland City Commissions and will work on problems related to Oakland's development and progress. Other members of the Industrial commission are: William Walters, William D. Drohan, Arthur Hellender, Patrick F. Brady and Charles R. Marshall.

Mr. Heiner, vice president for public relations and traffic, for Kaiser Steel, also serves with the High Council of Oakland-Berkeley stake, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His responsibilities on the stake high council include: advisor to Stake Sunday School, special events committee, Oakland Fourth ward, and the Seventh Quorum of Elders. A High Priest, he and his wife and children live in the Oakland ward.

Al holds an A. B. from the University of Utah and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administratino. He is a member of the executive committee of the National Freight Traffic association; a member of the Transportation Council of the Department of Commerce; a member of the Public Relations Committee of the American Iron and Steel institute; and a member of the Board of Directors of the American Society of Traffic and Transportation (formerly served as President and Chairman of the Board); he is chairman of the Board of Junior Achievement of the East Bay, Inc., Oakland; and chairman of the Western Regional Board of Junior Achievement, Inc.

Berkeley Second

La Verne Paulson Joins Gene at 'Y'

By Olea Woolf

La Verne Paulson has joined her husband, Gene, in Provo, Utah, where he is teaching journalism at Brigham Young university. Her place as second counselor in the Relief Society has been filled by Grace Boyack.

Jennie Carlson and friends celebrated her 82nd birthday on October 18.

Anthony Woolf has been appointed High Priests grolp secretary, succeeding David Jensen whose death was reported in the October and November issues of The Messenger. Jean Gutierrez has been appointed Aaronic Priesthood assistant secretary. New member, Frank Hummel has been advanced in the priesthood.

Mry Lou Larson and Barbara Cain are now official members of the ward.

Two former ward members recently passed away: Sister Minton, mother of Ada Lindblad, at Salt Lake City; and Lois Sloan, who had been living with her family in Japan, returned to the Bay area for brain surgery, but died before the operation could be accomplished.

Ruth and David Yancey spent Thanksgiving at the home of the Art Hopkins. Ward members enjoyed a visit from Clyde and Dawna Derr now of Minneapolis, Minnesota. W. W. Owens of Logan, Utah, was recently entertained by Bishop and Mrs. Richard Owens.

Ray Karpus is improving after being stricken by a heart attack. Grant and Marilyn Chamberlain recently traveled to Reno to visit with her father who was ill.

The Frank Parsons enjoyed a visit from their daughter and son-in-law Rosemary Nelson, from Arabia.

We are sorry to lose Joe and Anna Edvalson and family to the Claremont ward.

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MARRIED in the Los Angeles Temple, August 26, were Elsie Macfarlane, of Pittsburgh ward, and Jon Lawson of Hawthorne, California.

LIVING IN BERKELEY are new-weds Betty Lou Borg and Richard B. Johnson, who were married in the Logan temple July 28, shortly after Richard returned from a mission to France for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Betty Louise is a daughter of Kenneth and Irene Borg of North Sacramento, a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, and is teaching French at Miremonte High School, Orinda. Richard, son of J. Edward and LaVon Johnson of Berkeley is attending the University of California at Berkeley. They were honored at a reption at Arcade ward in Sacramento.

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New-Weds Elsie and Jon Lawson

At home in Provo, Utah, where both are attending Brigham Young University, are California new-weds, Elsie Macfarlane and Jon Keith Lawson. They were married August 26, in the Los Angeles temple. President Benjamin Bowring officiated at the ceremony, and a reception was held afterward in the Ceninella ward recreation hall.

Elsie is the daughttr of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Macfarlane of Pittsburgh ward. Jon is from Hawthorne, California.

Elsie and Jon were outstanding students in their schools, both receiving American awards. The bride graduoted from Pittsburgh high school where she served as student body secretary. Jon graduated from Leuzinger high school where he served as president. Elsie was Junior Gleaner president for Walnut Creek stake, and last year at BYU was Di Chi Social Unit Secretary.

Joyce Morgan To Wed Dec 16

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Morgan of Walnut Greek announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Joyce to G. Alfred Gillingwater of Manteca. They plan to be married in the Los Angles Temple December 16 with a reception at Walnut Creek December 22.

They met at the BYU where Alfred earned his degree in animal husbandry. He is now working in Southern California. Joyce took five years at the "Y", majoring in Elementary Education, and is now teaching Kindergarten in Covina. They are both workig in Mutual

Joyce Gay Engaged

The engagement of Joyce Gay of Castro Valley to Boyd Ronald Johnson was recently revealed. Joyce met Boyd while he was serving on his mission in the East Bay, mainly in Alameda. They met while attending a Northern California Mission conference. Boyd is majoring in Business Administration at B. Y. U. and will return there this fall. Joyce will return to the "Y" to continue her studies in elementary education. Joyce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Gay of Castro Valley Boyd is the son of Mrs. and Mrs. Boyd Leland Johnson of Salt Lake City. No definite date has been set for the wedding.

3 Elected To Posts At BYU

Good news comes to Oakland Ward from Provo these days as three of it's young people were selected to serve their fellow students at BYU.

Ron Doxey,son of Rulon and Edna Doxey, was elected as Senator representing the Freshman class.

Chosen from a group of 350 aplicants to serve on the 15 member Junior Associated Womens Service Council was Linda Higham. The applicants were interviewed and chosen by the officers of the Senior Associated Womens Council. Linda is the daughter of Frank and Violet Higham.

Helen, daughter of Hubert and Gwendoline Visick, has been elected to serve as general secretary of the Honor council. Helen, a Junior, attended BYU for her Freshmen year an spent her sophomore year attending school in Hawaii. Linda and Ron are both Freshman at BYU.

Engagement Told

Three engagements have been announced in the Berkeley Second ward.

Margaret Bodily, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bodily, will marry Ron Hunt.

Mary Ashman, daughter of Retta Gilbert, will marry Mark Dailey,

Frederica Bauman of Alhambra, will be married to Bud Hopkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Hopkins.

A RECEPTION in the East Midvale Second ward (Utah) on September 23, honored Charis Greenwood of Los Altos, California, and William H. Southwell of Lyman, Nebraska, following their wedding at the Salt Lake Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, September 22.

HONORED at a reception in the Walnut Creek chapel were Joan and Frank W. Leonosio, after their late summer wedding at the Los Angeles Temple.

Kathy Ray Weds

Kathy Ray, a former resident of Hayward ward, was married November 9 in the Salt Lake Temple to Alan M. Smith who filled a full-time mission in Northern California several years ago. The young couple will make their home in Eureka, California, where Alan is an agent of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Before her wedding, the bride was honored at a shower given by her aunt, Eva Loomis.

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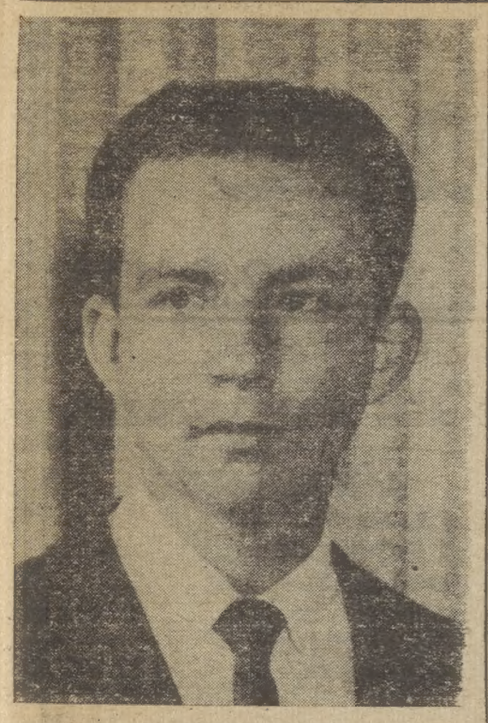

BRENT ECHOLS of Rodeo ward was honored at a farewell testimonial November 5. He will serve in the East Central States Mission.

Harvest Bazaar Is Successful

By Afton Hipwell

Our ward Relief Society harvest dinner and bazaar, November 13, was announced a success.

Avilla Jackson was called to Utah by the death of her father.

Oscar and Afton Hipwell and Mable Wadsworth flew to Utah to attend the funeral for Oscar's brother, in November.

Our sympathy goes to the Edward Graves family upon the death of Ed's mother. Also to the George Veirs family. George recently lost his mother.

To Lt. and Mrs. Ted L. Smith (Merrily Evenson) their first child, a girl, Linda Jeanette, was born October 9 in San Antonio, Texas. This made Ray and Barta Evenson grandparents for the first time. Berta flew to Texas to spend a week helping her daughter.

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Richmond Ward

New Sunday School Head

Frederick Neil Chester was sustained, in a recent sacrament meeting, as the new Sunday School Superintendent of the Richmond Ward.

He is the son of Marvin Monroe Chester and the late Inez Williams of Chico, California, and was born in Alturas, California.

Fred married Della Zweifel of Idaho and they have two sons and two daughters. Their older son, Daniel, won first place in 1960 in the Northern California Section of the National Math Contest representing Harry Ellis High School, and for the three years prior to 1960, won first place in the General Math Contest which qualified him for the National Math Contest. At present he is a Junior attending the University of California.

Joseph Antone Giovanini, 1st counselor to Brother Chester, is the son of the late Antonio Giovanini and Eugenia Ferari Giovanini of Richmond, California, and was born in Angels' Camp, California. He married Thelma Kay Tietjen of Santaquin, Utah, and they have a married son, Tony, living in Texas.

New second counselor in the Sunday School superintendency is Jim Russell Hicks. Brother Hicks was born in Whitewright, Texas, and married Mary Jane Humphrey of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They have three children, James Wayne, Elois, and Sandra Lynn. The Hicks family are recent converts having been baptized only last month, and active in the Ward. Sister Hicks teaches the "Firelites" in Primary.

Ward Has New MIA Leaders

to head the Young Ladies and Young Men's MIA in the Oakland Fourth Ward. Darlene Johnson is president of the YWMIA, replacing Lucy Jacobs. Lucy is teacher trainer and conducts sessions for teachers and parents at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Darlene is assisted by Adeline Pratt and Amy Ralphs who were counselors to Sister Jacobs. Secretaries for the Young Ladies are Alice Rosa and Marlene Giles.

Forrest F. Poore is new Superintendent of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement association succeeding Dean Hardy. The Hardys have moved to Idaho. Phil Hatori will continue as age group assistant, and Neal Christensen, who has moved here from Sunnyvale, will be activity assistant superintendent. Ricardo Valergo is new assistant scoutmaster.

New Members Active In Berkeley 1st

By Charlene Jenson

We have some new people in the Berkeley First ward.

Gene and Vonnie Johnson Fox have joined the ranks with Gene attending the University of California and Vonnie teaching school in Hayward.

Carl J. and Sharon Rindfleisch, Jr. and their two children are now in our ward. Carl is also attending the University of California.

David Wright and his wife Clara from San Jose 2nd ward have already been put to work—Clara is the new chorister in the M.I.A. Brother Wright teaches journalism at Berkeley high.

Phil and Marna Eyring with their young baby have been released from the Air Force at Denver and are busy in the Sunday School and M.I.A.

Elliott Fraenkel and his wife Jean are from Manhatten Ward. Jean is a niece of Walter Basinger.

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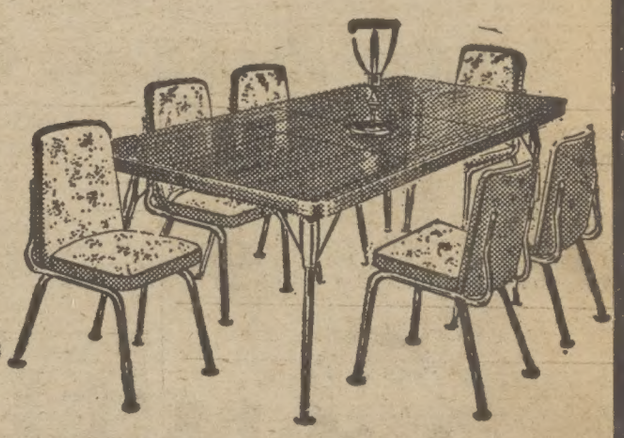

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